



Ward Notification

Tucson Fire Department

Fire Chief Patrick Kelly



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Date: August 18, 2009

Ward 1 – Mobile Home Fire – 7100 Block of South Missiondale Road

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Dispatch Time – 1850

On-Scene Time – 1855

Under Control - 1909

Repairs were being done, the electricity had been temporarily turned off, and an extension cord was being used to power the cooler when this fire started. The connection on the cord made contact with some metal on the roof, and an electrical arc occurred. Firefighters arrived 4 minutes after the call to 911 to find smoke coming from the cooler area. The ceiling space, below the roof, was burning. Fourteen minutes later the fire was out. One man was treated and released at the scene with minor injuries. No other injuries occurred.

Red Cross was not needed. Repairs were being done and the home was unoccupied.

Damage Estimate - \$5,000

Cause – Accidental electrical from extension cord connected to cooler

Origin – Roof area

Safety Message: Check the condition of extension cords before using and replace them when worn or damaged. Placing extension cords in doorways, windows, or under door mats could result in damage to the cord.